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THANKSGIVING.

Tomorrow the people of the nation will join in giving praise and thanks to God. On that day which has been set apart for the special purpose of rendering humble and hearty thanks to Him Who is the Author of every good and perfect thing for mercies, blessings and beneficence vouchsafed to us, let the people of Clarksburg and of Harrison county also observe that custom with a sincerity and an earnestness for they have much that they are thankful for and the day in the community should be one of thanksgiving in the highest and truest conception of the word.

As citizens of this mighty nation of liberty, the land of the free and the home of the brave, we have indeed more than ordinary cause to give thanks. President Roosevelt in his Thanksgiving proclamation truthfully said "the year that has closed has been one of peace within our borders as well as between us and all other nations. The harvests have been abundant and those who work with hand or brain are prospering greatly. Reward has waited upon honest effort. We have been able to do our honest duty to ourselves and to others. Never has there been a time when religious and charitable effort has been more evident. Much has been given to us and much will be exacted from us. We speak of what has been done by this nation in no spirit of boastfulness or vain glory, but with full and reverent realization that our strength is nothing unless we are helped from above. Hitherto we have been given the heart and strength to do the tasks allotted to us as they severally arise. We are thankful for all that has been done for us in the past and we pray that in the future we may be strengthened to do our duty fearlessly and honestly, with charity, good respect for ourselves and with love toward our fellow man.

"In this great Republic the effort to combine national strength with personal freedom is being tried on a scale more gigantic than ever before in the world's history. Our success will mean much, not only for ourselves, but for the future of all mankind and every man and woman in our land should feel the grave responsibility resting upon him or her for in the last analysis this success must depend upon the high average of our individual citizenship upon the way in which each of us does his duty by himself and by his neighbor."

As one of the sisterhood of states, Governor White says in his Thanksgiving proclamation:

"West Virginia has been favored greatly during the past year. Our material development has continued and expanded; our husbandmen have been rewarded with bounteous crops; we have been spared from pestilence and great disasters; our people have been contented, happy and prosperous, and each and all have abundant reason to feel gratitude and to abound in the spirit of thanksgiving. We have been more generously favored than some other sections of our great country and should be correspondingly grateful.

"Never were religious, educational and benevolent institutions of our State doing as great and beneficent work as at present. The uplifting influence of our communities were never more active and their results more marked. The future is bright with promise and West Virginians are full of hope and courage. "Under these" circumstances this annual festival and day of praise should be even more generally observed than on any similar anniversary."

As residents of a rapidly growing city the residents of Clarksburg have many things to be thankful for. They are thankful that they are living in a community made up of generous, hospitable, neighborly and friendly people. They are thankful that they are making strides forward in their social as well as in their commercial and industrial life. For the rapid material advancement of the city and its environment every true citizen of Clarksburg is devoutly thankful and they pray and hope for a continuance of this progression.

Therefore let all of the people of this community observe the Thanksgiving day and lift up their hearts in praise and thanksgiving to the Ruler of the Universe, for what has been done for them.

THE CITY WATER WORKS.

Some people are inclined to kick up on alleged inactivity of the city officials and the city councilmen in regard to the present condition of the city water works. It is but fairness to say that the present officials who have any connection with the water works department as well as the councilmen are doing their utmost to better the conditions which have prevailed at the water works department during the past dry weeks. They have been confronted with a serious problem which has presented innumerable difficulties but they are doing all in their power to keep the city in water supply.

If some of these kickers would look into the matter a little closer and make an investigating visit to the scene of trouble and despair, they would readily see that everything that could be done with present facilities and under existing circumstances has been done. The present city officials are not responsible for the fact that the city of Clarksburg is being supplied with its city water through a village water works system. Our predecessors who built the water works system cannot be blamed for putting in such a small system any more than we can accuse them of having been gifted with the power of foreseeing coming events. The men who built the present water works system never dreamed that Clarksburg would be a city of its present magnitude in less than a hundred and fifty years or so.

The experience of the past two months, however, points out the fact that the city of Clarksburg is no great length of time will have to install a new and much larger water works system than the one which is now being spoken of with such deep feeling and unkindly expression.

HOLIDAY ADVERTISING.

The holiday trade season is fairly upon us. These merchants of the city who expect to get a goodly share of the holiday trade should commence now and let the holiday shoppers know where they stand this season and what they have to sell. As can be seen by the columns of the Daily and Weekly Telegram a number of the more progressive merchants have already taken advantage of the situation in trade. The question of advertising is not a dubious one now. It has been finally and fully established that the merchant who does advertise is the merchant who gets the business and the merchant who does not, gets left. Then it is but reason and common sense that a man in business should advertise. There are many and various methods of advertising, but shining out above all is that of newspaper advertising. A word to the wise is sufficient. The merchants who have been a little negligent up to this time in regard to their special holiday advertising should get a hustle on them.

A GLIMMER OF LIGHT IN RUSSIA.

Poor, darkened, oppressed, downtrodden, servile Russia is at last beginning to see a glimmer of the light of freedom. It is a small glimmer compared to the self-governed nation in which we live and take part, yet it is very noticeable when compared to the past conditions of the unhappy people of that empire. The following declaration of the Zemstvo representatives in favor of the election of a body not merely to participate in legislation as was at first reported but to be entrusted with the framing of the laws of the empire, is read with gratification by the sympathizers of the people of Russia, who are even surprised that such a thing has been permitted in the Muscovite kingdom. It is a great thing and it means much to the people of Russia from border to border and sea to sea. It is to be hoped that the Russians will succeed in bringing about a change in the government of their country and secure their unalienable rights of participation in the affairs of their nation. "In order to secure the proper development of the life of the state and the people, it is imperatively necessary that there be regular participation of national representatives, sitting as an especially elected body, to

make laws, regulate the revenue and expenditure and control the legality of the actions of the administration."

As tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day and a legal holiday throughout the land, there will be no issue of the Daily Telegram on that day. Opportunity is thus given to the members of the Telegram force as well as the thirty-five or forty carrier boys who deliver the paper to subscribers and sell them on the streets, to join in observing the day according to the custom handed down to us by our forefathers and with praise and thanksgiving for the blessings bestowed upon us by our Creator.

The proposition of the prominent Southern Democrat made to all of the presidential electors of the Southern Democratic states that they all cast their votes in the electoral college for Roosevelt and make the thing unanimous is a good one and it is hoped that his suggestion will be brought about. Is not this a conspicuous opportunity for those Southern electors to display their Southern chivalry and gentlemanliness?

ORIGIN OF THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thanksgiving Day in the United States of America is a festival held annually to offer thanks to Providence for bounties received during the year, says the Wheeling News. It is now held to be a legal holiday, and is fixed by proclamation of the President and state governors.

It was in 1789 that the Episcopal church recognized the authority of the government to appoint such a feast, and in 1888 the Roman Catholic church decided to publicly observe the occasion which had received such universal approval throughout the land.

In the New England states the day is honored with greater zest than in any other section of the country; it is held to be the national "family reunion day." It was the Pilgrim Fathers who first kept Thanksgiving Day, and this observance took place in Plymouth in 1621 in the form of a "harvest home festival." It was in gratitude to their Maker for the blessings bestowed upon them that they devoted the day to feast and prayer. This custom they followed annually.

Congress advised days of thanksgiving each year during the revolutionary war, and in 1789 George Washington appointed such a day in honor of the adoption of the constitution, and again in 1795 for the general welfare of the nation.

New York has annually observed the festival since 1817, and since 1863 the presidents have each year issued proclamations naming the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day.

Willson-Lyon Wedding This Evening. The wedding of Miss Mary Goldie Lyons to Mr. Frank Armstrong Willson will occur in the First Baptist church this evening at 7:30 o'clock and it will be a conspicuous fashionable event. Following the wedding ceremony a reception will be given to the bride party and a number of friends of the bride and groom at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Nancy J. Lyon, on West Main street.

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THE WATTS-LAMBERD COMPANY.

OIL NEWS

Near Morgansville Station, in the Salem district, this county, the South Penn Oil Co. has drilled its test on the J. W. Hyatt farm into the salt sand and has a good gasser.

In the Pine Grove district, the South Penn's No. 1 on the W. L. Brookover farm is drilling at 30 feet below the Gordon sand and is dry. The same company's No. 2 on the Wise Postalwait farm is 24 feet in the stray and produced 29 barrels the first 24 hours.

In the Yellow creek district, Calhoun county, G. L. Cabbot & Co's No. 3, on the J. A. Wilson farm drilled through the sand last week and reported a duster has since been shot and will make a 10 barrel pumper. The Eastern Oil Co. has drilled its No. 7 on the S. L. Klipstein farm through the Berea grit and found nothing in that formation.

A show was developed in the Maxon and they will test at that level and think they will have a 10 barrel pumper. In the Smithfield district, in Wetzel county, the Southern Oil Co. & Greenlee have drilled their test on the S. P. McLaughlin farm into the second Big Injun pay and increased its production to 125 barrels a day.

Near Meadville, Tyler county, the Carter Oil Co. has drilled its test on the Jerry Bulman farm 50 feet into the Big Injun sand and has a show for a very light pumper.

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